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SUBJECT:GOJ PERCEPTION OF TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE

REF: TELCON GLICK/KLEIN APRIL 11

1. KAWASAKI, DIRECTOR, AMERICAS-OCEANIA DIVISION, MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI),SAID AT TFC SENIOR REVIEW MEETING MARCH 14 THAT MITI CAN DEAL WITH MARKET ACCESS COMPLAINTS FALLING WITHIN ITS JURDISDICTION BUT MAY BE LESS EFFECTIVE IN DEALING WITH PROBLEMS FALLING WITHIN JURISDICTION OF OTHER AGENCIES. UNDERSTAND PER REF THAT HANAOKA (MITI) AT MEETING WITH BUTTON ON APRIL 11 MADE SIMILAR STATEMENT AND SUGGESTED THAT FUTURE COMPLAINTS FALLING WITHIN RESPONSIBILITY OF OTHER AGENCIES MIGHT BE REFERRED DIRECTLY TO THOSE AGENCIES.

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2. THESE STATEMENTS OF MITI OFFICIALS INDICATE MITI APPARENTLY ACTING MORE AS MAIL-DROP FOR U.S. EXPORTERS; MARKET ACCESS COMPLAINTS THAN AS COORDINATOR ON BEHALF OF GOJ IN CARRYING OUT THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL ARRANGEMENT. IT WOULD APPEAR, THEREFORE, THAT THE GOJ HAS NOT RPT NOT ESTABLISHED A MECHANISM FOR FACILITATING THE SOLVING OF MARKET ACCESS

COMPLAINTS. IN OUR VIEW THIS IS INCONSISTENT WITH STRONG
GOJ ENDORSEMENT OF TFC OBJECTIVES AS REFLECTED IN MINISTER

USHIBA'S CONVERSATIONS HERE IN DECEMBER AND IN STRAUSS-
USHIBA COMMUNIQUE.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S REPORTING HANAOKA'S
COMMENTS AS WELL AS THOSE OF OTHER GOJ OFFICIALS THAT MAY
HELP US ASSESS CURRENT GOJ PERCEPTION OF TFC,
PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO HANDLING OF MARKET ACCESS
COMPLAINTS.

4. FYI WE MAY WISH TO USE OCCASION OF FUKUDA VISIT TO
WASHINGTON FOR DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER WITH APPROPRIATE
GOJ OFFICIALS.

5. TOKYO'S 6325, JUST RECEIVED, TENDS TO CONFIRM
IMPRESSIONS OUTLINED ABOVE AND RAISES QUESTION WHETHER
GOJ SHOULD CONSIDER DIFFERENT ARRANGEMENT FOR HANDLING
MARKET ACCESS COMPLAINTS. CHRISTOPHER

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